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# FIRST KENTUCKY DERBY FUTURE WAGER OF YEAR OPENS THURSDAY; 'ALL OTHERS' EVEN-MONEY FAVORITE, JACK CHRISTOPHER 10-1 SECOND CHOICE

## Kentucky Derby Sire Future Wager Also On Tap; Both Pools Close Sunday at 6 p.m. ET

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Monday, Nov. 22, 2021) – The pari-mutuel field of "All Other Colts and Geldings from the 2019 Foal Crop" is likely to be a strong even-money favorite in Pool 1 of the 2022 Kentucky Derby Future Wager, which kicks off a four-day run at Churchill Downs on Thanksgiving Day. Jack Christopher, the impressive Champagne (GI) winner for trainer Chad Brown who expected to resume training in early 2022, is anticipated to be the 10-1 second choice.

Pool 1 assumes that horses under the care of trainers suspended from competing in the 2022 Kentucky Derby will not be under consideration. To that end, prospects **Corniche**, **Messier**, **Pinehurst** and **Rockefeller** are not among the 22 individual betting interests and are included within the pari-mutuel field.

Jack Christopher, who was expected to be the \$2 million Breeders' Cup Juvenile (GI) favorite, was scratched from the Nov. 5 race, and had a screw inserted into his left shin due to a stress fracture shortly thereafter.

"So we will start him back (training) in early 2022 at **WinStar Farm** and then ship him to Palm Meadows and start his campaign in South Florida." **Bradley Weisbord**, the racing manager for co-owner **Jim Bakke**, told *BloodHorse* on Tuesday.

Here's the complete Kentucky Derby Future Wager Pool 1 field (with trainer, sire and morning line odds): #1 Ben Diesel (Dallas Stewart, Will Take Charge, 30-1); #2 Classic Causeway (Brian Lynch, Giant's Causeway, 15-1); #3 Commandperformance (Todd Pletcher, Union Rags, 15-1); #4 Double Thunder (Todd Pletcher, Super Saver, 30-1); #5 Epicenter (Steve Asmussen, Not This Time, 30-1); #6 Forced Ranking (Chad Brown, Mastery, 30-1); #7 Giant Game (Dale Romans, Giant's Causeway, 15-1); #8 Graphic Detail (Bill Mott, Practical Joke, 50-1); #9 Gunite (Steve Asmussen, Gun Runner, 20-1); #10 Howling Time (Dale Romans, Not This Time, 20-1); #11 Jack Christopher (Chad Brown, Munnings, 10-1); #12 Major General (Todd Pletcher, Constitution, 20-1); #13 Mo Donegal (Todd Pletcher, Uncle Mo, 20-1); #14 Osbourne (Ron Moquett, Tapiture, 30-1); #15 Oviatt Class (Keith Desormeaux, Bernardini, 30-1); #16 Pappacap (Mark Casse, Gun Runner, 12-1); #17 Rattle N Roll (Kenny McPeek, Connect, 15-1); #18 Smile Happy (Kenny McPeek, Runhappy, 50-1); #19 Tiz the Bomb (Kenny McPeek, Hit It a Bomb, 20-1); #20 Trafalgar (Al Stall Jr., Lord Nelson, 50-1); #21 Varatti (Todd Pletcher, Into Mischief, 50-1); #22 Zandon (Chad Brown, Upstart, 30-1); #23 All Fillies from the 2019 Foal Crop (50-1); and #24 All Other Colts and Geldings from the 2019 Foal Crop (1-1).

The pool, which features \$2 Win and Exacta wagering, opens Thursday at noon and will close Sunday at 6 p.m. ET.

The Kentucky Derby Future Wager will be offered concurrently with the seventh annual Kentucky Derby Sire Future Wager, which provides bettors with a unique opportunity to wager on select breeding stars and their entire crop of juveniles with the hope of winning next year's Kentucky Derby.

Offspring sired by **Quality Road**, including Corniche, was made the individual 8-1 favorite by oddsmaker **Mike Battaglia**. "All Other Sires" is the 6-1 early choice.

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Here's the Kentucky Derby Sire Future Wager field (with morning line odds): #1 American Pharoah (20-1); #2 Candy Ride (ARG) (30-1); #3 Curlin (15-1); #4 Empire Maker (12-1); #5 Giant's Causeway (15-1); #6 Gun Runner (15-1); #7 Into Mischief (20-1); #8 Mastery (30-1); #9 Medaglia D'Oro (30-1); #10 Munnings (12-1); #11 Not This Time (15-1); #12 Nyquist (30-1); #13 Pioneerof the Nile (30-1); #14 Practical Joke (20-1); #15 Quality Road (8-1); #16 Runhappy (20-1); #17 Speightstown (30-1); #18 Street Sense (20-1); #19 Tapit (15-1); #20 Twirling Candy (30-1); #21 Uncle Mo (20-1); #22 Union Rags (30-1); #23 Violence (30-1); and #24 "All Other Sires" (6-1).

This marks the ninth consecutive year that Churchill Downs has hosted Future Wager pools in November on closing weekend of its Fall Meet.

The Kentucky Derby Future Wagers provide fans of Thoroughbred racing with opportunities to place bets on possible entrants in the Kentucky Derby presented by Woodford Reserve (Grade I) at odds that could be far greater and more attractive than those available on the day of the race. The 148th running of Kentucky Derby, America's greatest race and the first leg of the Triple Crown, is set for Saturday, May 7, 2022 at Churchill Downs.

Bets can be placed at Churchill Downs Racetrack, **TwinSpires.com** and other online wagering outlets and satellite wagering centers across North America.

There are no refunds in the Kentucky Derby Future Wager. Should Churchill Downs officials determine during the duration of this week's four-day pool that one of the wagering interests has experienced an injury, illness or other circumstance that would prevent the horse from participating in the Kentucky Derby, betting on the individual horse will be suspended immediately.

More information, Brisnet.com past performances and real-time odds on the Kentucky Derby Future Wager will be available before the pool opens Thursday online at <a href="https://www.kentuckyderby.com/wager/future-wager">https://www.kentuckyderby.com/wager/future-wager</a>.

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